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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM
SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST
BERNARD NOSSITER REPORTS THAT THE BIGGEST SURPRISE IN THE BRITISH
BUDGET AS REVEALED BY DENIS HEALEY WAS THAT HE HAS ALREADY MADE
ARRANGEMENTS TO OBTAIN LOANS TO COVER THE EXPECTED \$3.5 BILLION
DEFICIT IN FOREIGN ACCOUNTS. (A-1)
BRYCE HARLOW DISCLOSED LAST NIGHT THAT PAUL NITZE WILL NOT BE
NOMINATED AS AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE. HARLOW SAID
THE APPOINTMENT "WOULD BE EXTREMELY CONTROVERSIAL TO PEOPLE
EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO THE PRESIDENT." (A-5)
VICTOR KRASHENINNIKOV, THE SOVIET FIRST SECRETARY, REPORTED TO
POLICE LAST NIGHT THAT HE HAD BEEN ROBBED BY TWO YOUTHS AS HE
ENTERED THE LOBBY OF HIS APARTMENT IN ADELPHI. HE SAID THAT
\$12 HAD BEEN TAKEN, ALONG WITH HIS DIPLOMATIC IDENTIFICATION
CARDS. (A-13)
A POST EDITORIAL SAYS THAT AS THE UNCERTAIN INTERNAL CHANGE
IS TAKING PLACE IN ETHIOPIA, THE U.S. IS SENSIBLY TAKING ITS
DISTANCE IN A COUNTRY WHOSE INTERNAL AFFAIRS ARE OF NO DIRECT
CONCERN TO US. (A-18)
REUTERS REPORTS FROM ANKARA THAT BAGHDAD RADIO ANNOUNCED YESTER-
DAY THAT A MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING HAD BEEN REACHED BETWEEN THE
IRAQI GOVERNMENT AND KURDISH REBELS. REPORTS FROM EASTERN
TURKEY SAID THE SITUATION APPEARED QUIET IN THE KURDISH REGION
OF IRAQ. (A-22)
ROBERT KAISER REPORTS ON YOUR ACTIVITIES OF YESTERDAY. IT WAS

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BEEN SUGGESTED THAT YOUR TRIP WILL BE EXTENDED. A STATE DEPARTMENT SOURCE SAID THAT YOU WOULD NOT DELAY YOUR SCHEDULED DEPARTURE BY MORE THAN A COUPLE OF HOURS AND THAT YOU PLANNED TO LEAVE FOR A VACATION ON SATURDAY. THE PHRASING OF THE COMMUNIQUE HINTED THAT YOU HAD BEEN DISCUSSING JEWISH EMIGRATION. (A-25)

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JACK ANDERSON REPORTS THAT ACCORDING TO A CIA REPORT, "ARAB TERRORISTS ARE LOOSE IN EUROPE AND ENGLAND" AND ARE ARMED WITH SA-7 STRELLA MISSILES. THE IRA HAS THE MISSILES, PRESUMABLY SUPPLIED BY ARABS, AND THE ARABS ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE HELPED THE IRA PEPPER LONDON WITH BOMBS. (E-15)

THE NEW YORK TIMES

HEDRICK SMITH COVERS YOUR ACTIVITIES IN MOSCOW. SOVIET OFFICIALS ARE PROJECTING OPTIMISM ABOUT THE TALKS, THE PROSPECTS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT, AND AN AGREEMENT ON LIMITING OFFENSIVE STRATEGIC ARSENALS. (A-1)

DAVID BINDER WRITES THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS NOTIFIED ITS WESTERN EUROPEAN ALLIES THAT IT PROPOSES A SYSTEM OF CONSULTATIONS RATHER THAN A WRITTEN REDEFINITION OF THE RELATIONSHIP. YOUR PRESENTATION TO THIS EFFECT TO THE GERMANS IS NOTED. FULL TEXT OF THE ARTICLE IS BEING SENT SEPARATELY. (A-1)

TERRY ROBARDS NOTES THE LABOR GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS FOR NEW TAXES ON NONESSENTIAL ITEMS IN BRITAIN. (A-1)

HENRY TANNER REPORTS FROM CAIRO THAT THE SOVIETS ARE PRESSING TO JOIN THE AMERICAN/BRITISH CLEARING OPERATION OF THE SUEZ CANAL. THE SOVIETS HAVE ALSO OFFERED ASSISTANCE IN REBUILDING CITIES AND OTHER CIVILIAN INSTALLATIONS ON THE CANAL BANKS. (A-3)

ALVIN SHUSTER SEES CONTROL OF INFLATION AS THE KEY TO WHETHER THE WILSON GOVERNMENT WILL SUCCEED. (A-12)

JAMES RESTON WRITES ABOUT THE LATEST FASHION IN DIPLOMACY, THE DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE OF AMIABILITY INTENDED TO MISLEAD THE PUBLIC. WORLD ADVERSARIES SMILE AND LAUGH WITH EACH OTHER FOR PUBLIC CONSUMPTION BEFORE RETIRING TO BACK ROOMS TO QUARREL IN PRIVATE. IT ONLY HURTS IF YOU TAKE IT SERIOUSLY. (A-41)

C.L. SULZBERGER SAYS THAT ONE CURIOUS ASPECT OF THE SUPERPOWER NEGOTIATIONS IS THAT NEITHER THE U.S. NOR THE SOVIET UNION IS EXACTLY SURE HOW STRONG IT IS VIS-A-VIS THE OTHER. EACH SUPERPOWER IS INCLINED TO EXAGGERATE THE POTENTIAL OF THE OTHER, BUT LIKE THE U.S., MOSCOW IS PAYING THROUGH THE NOSE TO KEEP UP ITS END OF THE SEE-SAW AND, BY AN ACCORD ON SALT, WOULD LIKE TO REDUCE THIS ONEROUS EXPENSE. (A-41)

THE BALTIMORE SUN

EGYPT YESTERDAY SIGNED TWO CONCESSION AGREEMENTS WORTH A TOTAL OF \$29 MILLION WITH U.S. COMPANIES TO SEARCH FOR OIL AND NATURAL GAS. (A-2)

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G. JEFFERSON PRICE WRITES THAT EGYPT AND THE PALESTINIAN LIBER-

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ATION ORGANIZATION HAVE AGREED TO ADOPT A UNITED STAND TO BE PRESENTED WHEN THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE RECONVENES. (A-2)
THE SUN REPLAYS A REUTERS ARTICLE WHICH QUOTES ADMINISTRATION SOURCES AS CONFIDENT THAT AGREEMENTS WILL SOON BE REACHED WITH KUWAIT AND SAUDI ARABIA FOR THE SALE OF \$400 MILLION WORTH OF HAWK ANTIAIRCRAFT MISSILES MADE BY THE RAYTHEON CORPORATION.
(A-2)

PRESIDENT POMPIDOU RETURNED TO WORK YESTERDAY AFTER A FOUR-DAY ILLNESS. OFFICIAL FRENCH SOURCES SAID HE WOULD GO AHEAD WITH A SPRING VISIT TO BONN, ALTHOUGH PERHAPS A MONTH LATER THAN EXPECTED. (A-2)

JOSEPH STERNE WRITES THAT IN SOVIET POLITICAL CIRCLES, SENATOR HENRY JACKSON IS CONSIDERED ENEMY NUMBER ONE TO DETENTE, A DANGEROUS MAN, REPRESENTATIVE OF REACTIONARY FORCES, AND A CANDIDATE OF THE MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX. ONE LEADING KREMLIN ADVISOR ON AMERICAN AFFAIRS SAID A JACKSON VICTORY IN THE 1976 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS WOULD BE VIEWED AS A MANIFESTATION OF COLD WAR ATTITUDES IN THE U.S. (A-14)

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